

Congruent Triangles

Lesson Synopsis:

In this lesson, the concept of congruence is extended to triangles. Congruent triangles are explored both from the standpoint of congruence transformations and an axiomatic structure. Students justify congruent triangles with congruence transformations and prove triangles congruent with postulates and theorems. Students extend the concepts of congruent triangles to prove further characteristics of triangles using corresponding parts of congruent triangles, CPCTC.

TEKS:

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| G. 2 | <i>Geometric structure. The student analyzes geometric relationships in order to make and verify conjectures.</i> |
| G.2B | Make conjectures about angles, lines, polygons, circles, and three-dimensional figures and determine the validity of the conjectures, choosing from a variety of approaches such as coordinate, transformational, or axiomatic. |
| G. 3 | <i>Geometric structure. The student applies logical reasoning to justify and prove mathematical statements.</i> |
| G.3B | Construct and justify statements about geometric figures and their properties. |
| G.3C | Use logical reasoning to prove statements are true and find counter examples to disprove statements that are false. |
| G. 7 | <i>Dimensionality and the geometry of location. The student understands that coordinate systems provide convenient and efficient ways of representing geometric figures and uses them accordingly.</i> |
| G.7A | Use one and two-dimensional coordinate systems to represent points, lines, rays, line segments, and figures. |
| G.10 | <i>Congruence and the geometry of size. The student applies the concept of congruence to justify properties of figures and solve problems.</i> |
| G.10A | Use congruence transformations to make conjectures and justify properties of geometric figures including figures represented on a coordinate plane. |
| G.10B | Justify and apply triangle congruence relationships. |

GETTING READY FOR INSTRUCTION

Performance Indicator(s):

- Identify congruent transformations and use them to make and justify conjectures and to solve problems. (G.3B; G.10A)
ELPS ELPS: 1E, 2E, 2I, 3J, 4F, 5G
- Apply triangle congruency postulates and theorems to justify that two triangles are congruent. (G.2B; G.3B, G.3C; G.7A; G.10A, G.10B)
ELPS ELPS: 1E, 2E, 2I, 3K, 4F, 5G
- Determine if triangles are congruent by applying congruence relationships and apply CPCTC to justify the congruence of parts of triangles. (G.2B; G.3C; G.10B)
ELPS ELPS: 1E, 2E, 2I, 3K, 4F, 5G

Key Understandings and Guiding Questions:

- Translations (slides), rotations, or reflections (flips) are congruent transformations because they maintain congruence of shape and size.
 - What does the term “congruent transformations” mean?
 - Does the dilation of a triangle maintain congruency?
- Congruent transformations can be used to justify conjectures.
 - When writing a statement to show that two triangles are congruent, how must the letters representing the vertices be arranged?

- Congruent triangles have specific characteristics, including the fact that corresponding parts of congruent triangles are congruent.
 - What does the term “corresponding parts of polygons” mean?
 - How are corresponding angles of congruent triangles related?
 - How are corresponding sides of congruent triangles related?
- Characteristics of congruent triangles can be used to prove triangles are congruent.
 - What triangle congruence relationships must be true to prove triangles congruent?
 - How can coordinate geometry be used to prove triangles congruent?
 - How can triangles be proven congruent through specific postulates and theorems?
 - What postulates and theorems allow triangles to be proven congruent?
- Congruent triangle proofs can be extended to prove congruence of parts.
 - What is CPCTC and why is it important?


Vocabulary of Instruction

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| • congruent transformations | • SAS | • HA |
| • congruent triangles | • ASA | • LL |
| • CPCTC | • AAS | |
| • SSS | • HL | |

Materials:

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| • graphing calculator | • ruler | • markers |
| • sandwich name cards | • scissors | • colored pencils |
| • card stock (construction paper) of six different colors | • compass | • chart paper |
| | • protractor | • chart markers |
| | • tape or glue stick | |

Resources:

-  **STATE RESOURCES:**
 - **Mathematics TEKS Toolkit:** Clarifying Activity/Lesson,/Assessments
<http://www.utdanacenter.org/mathtoolkit/index.php>
 - **TEXTTEAMS: Geometry for All Institute: II** – Transformationally Speaking with Reflection; Act. 3 (Fast Food Factory)

Advance Preparation:

1. Handout: **Congruence Transformations and Triangles** (1 per student)
2. Cards: **Sandwich Name Cards** (1 set per teacher, run off on card stock, laminate, cut)
3. Handout: **Savory Sandwich Activity** (1 per pair)
4. Handout: **The Savory Sandwich Menu** (1 per pair)
5. Handout: **Congruent Triangle Theorems** (1 per student)
6. Handout: **What Makes Triangles Congruent?** (1 per student)
7. Handout: **Proving Triangles Congruent and CPCTC** (1 per student)
8. Handout: **Sneaky Triangles** (1 per student)
9. Handout: **Tall Tom’s Short Pants** (1 per student)
10. Handout: **Over the Roof** (1 per student)
11. Handout: **Evaluating Congruent Triangles** (1 per student)

Background Information:

In this lesson, students continue exploring congruence relationships from the standpoint of triangles. Students prove and justify congruent triangle relationships using a variety of methods including congruence transformations, and postulates and theorems.

GETTING READY FOR INSTRUCTION SUPPLEMENTAL PLANNING DOCUMENT

Instructors are encouraged to supplement, differentiate and substitute resources, materials, and activities to address the needs of learners. The Exemplar Lessons are one approach to teaching and reaching the Performance Indicators and Specificity in the Instructional Focus Document for this unit. A Microsoft Word template for this Planning document is located at www.cscope.us/sup_plan_temp.doc. If a supplement is created electronically,

users are encouraged to upload the document to their Lesson Plans as a Lesson Plan Resource for future reference.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROCEDURES

Instructional Procedures

ENGAGE

1. Distribute the handout: **Congruence Transformations and Triangles** to each student.
2. Students should work on the activity individually.
3. When students have completed the activity, they should get in groups of 3 to 4 and compare results, making corrections as needed.
4. Lead the class in a whole group discussion with the following questions.
 - **What transformation creates a reflection in the y-axis?** *Answers will vary. Sample: Taking the opposite of the x-coordinate.*
 - **What transformation creates a rotation of 180° ?** *Answers will vary. Sample: Taking the opposite of both the x-coordinate and y-coordinate.*
 - **What transformation creates a horizontal translation?** *Answers will vary. Sample: Adding or subtracting an amount from the x-coordinate.*
 - **What transformation creates a vertical translation?** *Answers will vary. Sample: Adding or subtracting an amount from the y-coordinate.*
 - **What are the congruent transformations?** *Translations, reflections, rotations.*
 - **Why are they called congruent transformations?** *They maintain size and shape of the original image.*
 - **How are dilations different from the congruent transformations?** *Dilations maintain shape but not size, so the new image is not congruent to the original image.*

EXPLORE 1

1. Before class, post the **Sandwich Name Cards** on the board. Students will tape the "sandwiches" they make under the appropriate name cards.
2. Group in pairs. Make sure each pair has the necessary materials, including six colors card stock, ruler, scissors, compass, protractor, tape or glue stick, markers, and colored pencils.
3. Distribute the handout: **Savory Sandwich Activity** to each pair of students. Go over the procedure for the activity with students.
4. Distribute the handout: **The Savory Sandwich Menu** to each pair of students and have students study the Chef's Instructions and cut out six sandwiches according to the instructions.
5. Students should label each vertex of the triangles appropriately. Be sure to label inside the triangle!
6. Students should label all sandwiches with the sandwich name and initials.
7. Students should label all sandwiches with the angle and side measurements.
8. Have each pair tape their sandwiches under the representative Sandwich Name Page.
9. When all sandwiches have been put up, compare and determine which sandwiches are always the same in size and shape and which are not!
10. Have students correct or complete the Conclusions for the activity. This can be completed as homework, if necessary.

As students begin to post their triangles to the sandwich name pages, pay particular attention to #3 Sensibly Satisfying Artichoke (side-side-angle). There are two different ways to construct this triangle!

Notes for Teacher

NOTE: 1 Day = 50 minutes

Suggested Day 1

MATERIALS

- Handout: **Congruence Transformations and Triangles** (1 per student)
- graphing calculator

TEACHER NOTE

The purpose of this activity is to use the graphing calculator and congruence transformations to illustrate congruent triangle mappings.



STATE RESOURCES

Mathematics TEKS Toolkit: Clarifying Activity/Lesson/Assessment may be used to reinforce these concepts or used as alternate activities.

Suggested Day 2

MATERIALS

- Cards: **Sandwich Name Cards** (1 set per teacher, run off on card stock, laminate, cut)
- Handout: **Savory Sandwich Activity** (1 per pair)
- Handout: **The Savory Sandwich Menu** (1 per pair)
- card stock (construction paper) of six different colors
- ruler
- scissors
- compass
- protractor
- tape or glue stick
- markers
- colored pencils

TEACHER NOTE

In this activity, students will use concrete models to discover which congruence relationships between triangle parts determine if the triangles are congruent.

Instructional Procedures

Notes for Teacher

TEACHER NOTE

Sometimes in small classes of students, the two different ways to construct a triangle using SSA (Sensibly Satisfying Artichoke) do not always show up. Be prepared to facilitate at least one pair of students to ensure that it does, or have two different SSA triangles constructed ahead of time!



STATE RESOURCES

TEXTEAMS: Geometry for All

Institute: II – Transformationally Speaking with Reflection; Act. 3 (Fast Food Factory) may be used to reinforce these concepts or used as alternate activities.

EXPLAIN 1

Day 3

1. Debrief the handout: **Savory Sandwich Activity** in whole-group discussion.
Facilitation Questions
 - Which of the sandwiches (methods of triangle construction) resulted in congruent triangles? SSS, SAS, ASA, AAS
 - Which of the sandwiches (methods of triangle construction) resulted in triangles that are not congruent? Why do you think this is so? Explain. AAA, SSA
 - What does this tell you about the ways to show triangles are congruent? *Answers will vary. Sample: SSS, SAS, ASA, AAS*
2. Distribute the handout: **Congruent Triangle Theorems** to each student. Go over the postulates and theorems in whole class instruction.

Day 4

3. Use Examples 1-5 to help clarify students' understanding.
4. Distribute the handout: **What Makes Triangles Congruent?** to each student.
5. Have students complete handout: **What Makes Triangles Congruent?** in order to demonstrate their understanding. This can be assigned as homework, if necessary.

Suggested Days 3-4

MATERIALS:

- Handout: **Congruent Triangle Theorems** (1 per student)
- Handout: **What Makes Triangles Congruent?** (1 per student)

TEACHER NOTE

Students will investigate formal postulates and theorems that can be used to prove triangles congruent.

TEACHER NOTE

Question #4 on handout: **Congruent Triangle Theorems** involves a flow chart proof. Since students have not completed this type of proof prior to this activity, you may need to facilitate this proof in whole-group instruction.

TEACHER NOTE

In this activity, theorems related to right triangles that are not covered by the handout: **Savory Sandwich Activity** are also investigated. These are LL (Leg-Leg), HL (Hypotenuse-Leg) and HA (Hypotenuse-Angle). However, these are actually special cases of the other theorems. For example, LL is actually SAS; HA is actually AAS; and HL is actually the one case for which SSA works.

EXPLORE/EXPLAIN 2

1. Debrief handout: **What Makes Triangles Congruent?** by having students get with a partner and compare answers. Have volunteer pairs share results in whole group.

Suggested Day 5

MATERIALS

- Handout: **Proving Triangles Congruent and CPCTC** (1 per student)

Instructional Procedures

2. Distribute the handout: **Proving Triangles Congruent and CPCTC** to each student.
3. Go over notes and examples in whole-group instruction.
4. Assign Practice Problems to be worked individually or in pairs. Monitor students to check for understanding.

Notes for Teacher

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TEACHER NOTE

In this activity, students will extend congruent triangle proofs to prove corresponding parts of congruent triangles are congruent.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

- Handout: **Sneaky Triangles** (1 per student)
- Handout: **Tall Tom's Short Pants** (1 per student)

Supplementary materials can be used for additional practice in corresponding parts and congruent triangles as needed.

ELABORATE

1. Go over the Practice Problems in whole-group discussion.
2. Distribute the handout: **Over the Roof** to each student.
3. Have students work in small groups to complete the handout.
4. When finished, have students record results on chart paper and post.
5. Debrief the activity by having groups explain their results on the display charts.

Suggested Day 6

MATERIALS

- Handout: **Over the Roof** (1 per student)
- chart paper
- chart markers

TEACHER NOTE

In this activity, students will apply triangle relationships, congruent transformations, and congruent triangle postulates and theorems to construction of roof trusses.

EVALUATE

1. Distribute the handout: **Evaluating Congruent Triangles** to each student.
2. Students should work the handout individually as an assessment.

Suggested Day 7

MATERIALS

- Handout: **Evaluating Congruent Triangles** (1 per student)

TEACHER NOTE

This activity should be completed independently to assess student knowledge of the concepts taught in the lesson.



TAKS CONNECTION

Grade 11 TAKS 2004 #10

Grade 11 July TAKS 2004 #50

Grade 11 July TAKS 2006 #7

Congruence Transformations and Triangles **KEY**

Procedure for demonstration using graphing calculator:

1. *Important!!!* Before entering any data, choose the standard window (ZOOM, 6:ZStandard), and then the square window (ZOOM, 5:ZSquare). This sets a reasonable viewing window and squares the aspect ratio so that figures are not distorted.

2. Using the list editor feature of the calculator enter the following lists.

| L1 | L2 | L3 | L4 | L5 |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| -2 | 3 | 2 | -3 | 6 |
| -6 | 4 | 6 | -4 | 2 |
| -9 | 9 | 9 | -9 | -1 |
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3. Using the StatPlot feature of your calculator, create a connected plot of L1 vs. L2. The result is a triangle in quadrant 2.
4. To reflect the triangle, create a second connected plot of L3 vs. L2.
 - a. What is the resulting transformation? **The result is a reflection over the y-axis.**
 - b. What appears to be true about the image and the pre-image? **The triangles are congruent.**
 - c. Is your answer to part b consistent with your earlier findings about reflections? **Yes**
5. To rotate the original figure, modify the second connected plot so that it is L3 vs. L4.
 - a. What is the resulting transformation? **The result is a rotation of 180° about the origin.**
 - b. What appears to be true about the image and the pre-image? **The triangles are congruent.**
 - c. Is your answer to part b consistent with your earlier findings about rotations? **Yes**
6. To translate the original figure, modify the second connected plot so that it is L5 vs. L2.
 - a. What is the resulting transformation? **The result is a translation of 8 units to the right.**
 - b. What appears to be true about the image and the pre-image? **The triangles are congruent.**
 - c. Is your answer to part b consistent with your earlier findings about translations? **Yes**
7. Create two additional lists (or alter L3 and L4) by multiplying L1 and L2 by the *same* scale factor. (If using a scale factor larger than 1.3, you will have to alter the viewing window.) Create a second connected plot along with the original.
 - a. What is the resulting transformation? **The result is a dilation of the triangle which affects the size. If the scale factor is less than one, it will be smaller. If the scale factor is greater than one, it will be larger.**
 - b. What appears to be true about the image and the pre-image? **The shape remains the same, but the size is either larger or smaller.**
 - c. Is your answer to part b consistent with your earlier findings about dilations? **Yes**
8. Which transformations are congruent transformations? **Translations, reflections, rotations**

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8. Which transformations are congruent transformations?

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 1 of 6)

#1 SSS

**Sassy Sesame
Steak**

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 2 of 6)

#2 AAA

Absolutely Amazing Alligator

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 3 of 6)

#3 SSA

Sensibly Satisfying Artichoke

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 4 of 6)

#4 AAS

Aunt Angelina's Squirrel

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 5 of 6)

#5 SAS

Super Audacious Swine

Sandwich Name Cards (pp. 6 of 6)

#6 ASA

Astounding Succulent Angus

Savory Sandwich Activity

Materials:

Sandwich Name Cards, card stock (construction paper) of six different colors, ruler, scissors, compass, protractor, tape or glue stick, markers, colored pencils, activity sheet



Procedure:

1. Group in pairs. Get six colors of paper and an activity sheet.
2. Study the Chef's Instructions and cut out six sandwiches according to the instructions.
3. Label each vertex of the triangles appropriately. Be sure to label inside the triangle!
4. Label all sandwiches with their name and initials.
5. Label all sandwiches with the angle and side measurements.
6. Tape the sandwiches under the representative Sandwich Name Page.
7. When all sandwiches have been put up, compare and determine which sandwiches are always the same in size and shape and which are not!

Conclusions:

Convince your boss at The Savory Sandwich why each of the six menu choices may or may not be used to prove triangles congruent.

#1 SSS

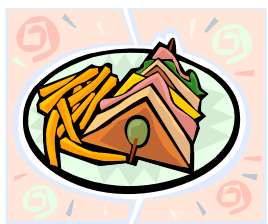
#2 AAA

#3 SSA

#4 AAS

#5 SAS

#6 ASA



THE SAVORY SANDWICH MENU

Menu Sandwiches Extraordinaire

- #1 SSS Sassy Sesame Steak
- #2 AAA Absolutely Amazing Alligator
- #3 SSA Sensibly Satisfying Artichoke
- #4 AAS Aunt Alice's Squirrel
- #5 SAS Super Audacious Swine
- #6 ASA Astounding Succulent Angus

You have been hired at The Savory Sandwich. The chef will test whether you will be allowed to work in the kitchen as an assistant by having you build six extraordinary sandwiches according to the specifications below. If you fail, you will be put in charge of sweeping and mopping floors.

Chef's Instructions

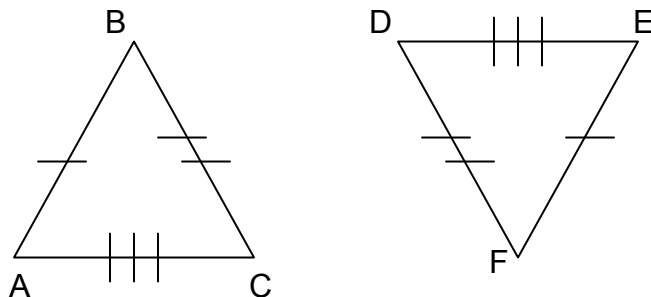
| Sandwich | Triangle | Specifications |
|----------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| #1 SSS | $\triangle ABC$ | $AB = 12$ in $BC = 10$ in $AC = 8$ in |
| #2 AAA | $\triangle DEF$ | $m\angle D = 60$ $m\angle E = 80$ $m\angle F = 40$ |
| #3 SSA | $\triangle JKL$ | $JK = 5$ in $JL = 7$ in $m\angle K = 40$ |
| #4 AAS | $\triangle PQR$ | $m\angle P = 40$ $m\angle R = 60$ $PQ = 8$ in |
| #5 SAS | $\triangle GHI$ | $GH = 8$ in $m\angle G = 55$ $GI = 6$ in |
| #6 ASA | $\triangle MNO$ | $m\angle M = 60$ $MN = 8$ in $m\angle N = 45$ |

Be sure to label inside the triangle!!!!

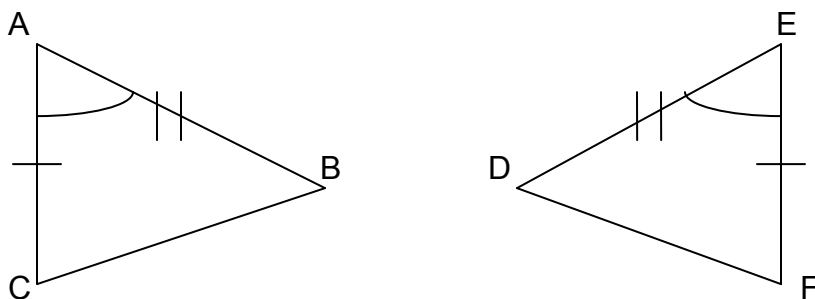
Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 1 of 5) **KEY**

The following are seven methods by which to prove triangles are congruent, without having to find all corresponding parts congruent: SSS, SAS, ASA, AAS, and for right triangles only LL, HA, and HL.

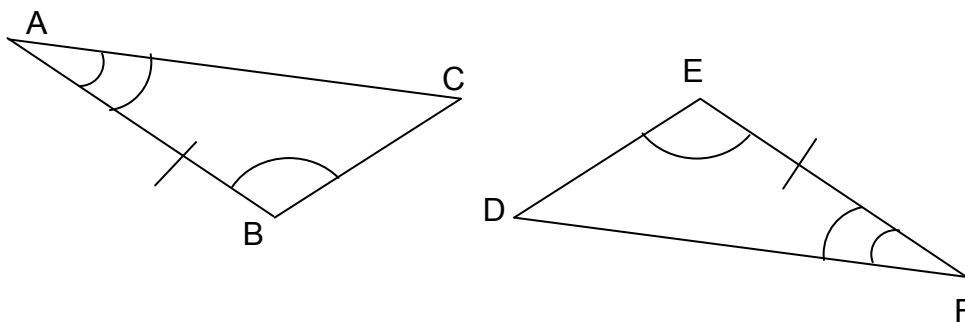
SSS Postulate: If the sides of one triangle are congruent to the sides of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



SAS Postulate: If two sides and the included angle of one triangle are congruent to two sides and included angle of another triangles, the triangles are congruent.



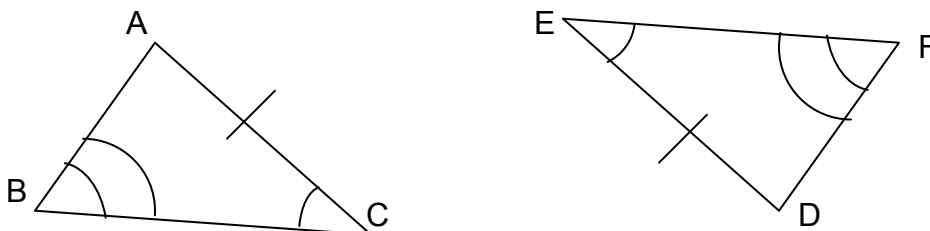
ASA Postulate: If two angles and the included side of one triangle are congruent to two angles and the included side of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



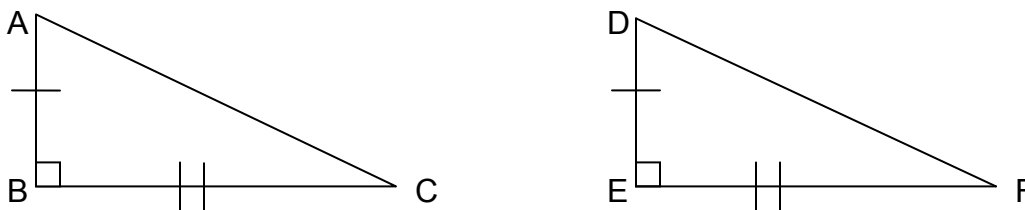
Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 2 of 5) **KEY**

From the three postulates, four other methods arise.

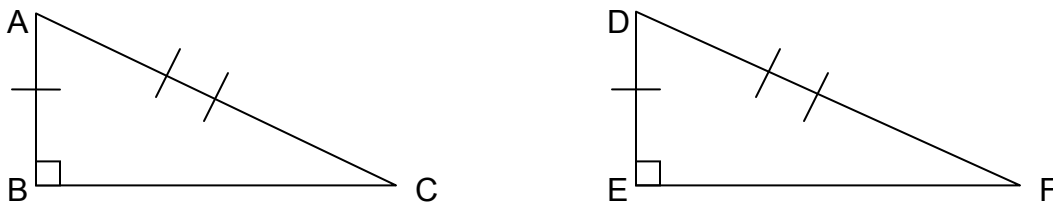
AAS Theorem: If two angles and the non-included side of one triangle are congruent to the two angles and non-included side of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



LL Theorem: In a right triangle, if the legs of one triangle are congruent to the corresponding legs of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.

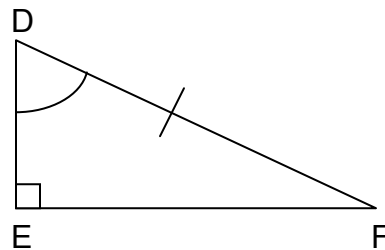
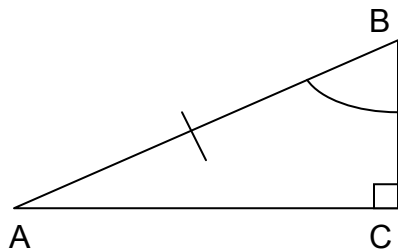


HL Theorem: In a right triangle, if the hypotenuse and leg of one triangle are congruent to the hypotenuse and corresponding leg of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 3 of 5) KEY

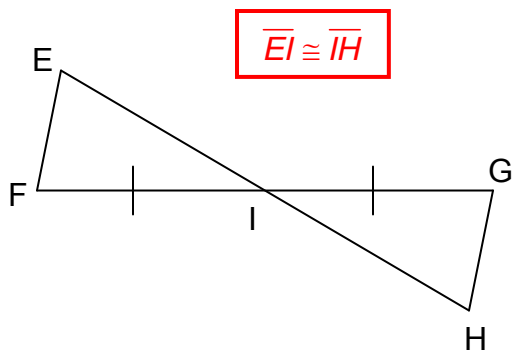
HA Theorem: In a right triangle, if the hypotenuse and one acute angle of the triangle are congruent to the hypotenuse and corresponding acute angle of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



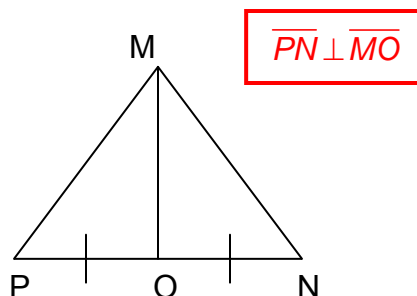
Examples:

- Give any additional information that would be needed to prove the triangles congruent by the method given.

a. SAS

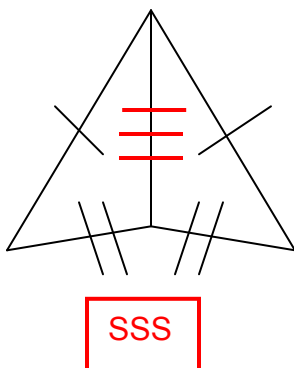


b. LL

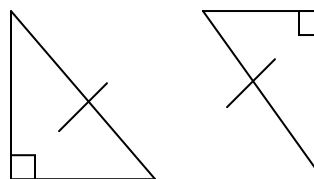


- Determine which method can be used to prove the triangles congruent from the information given. For some pairs, it may not be possible to prove the triangles congruent. For these, explain what other information would be needed to prove congruence.

a.



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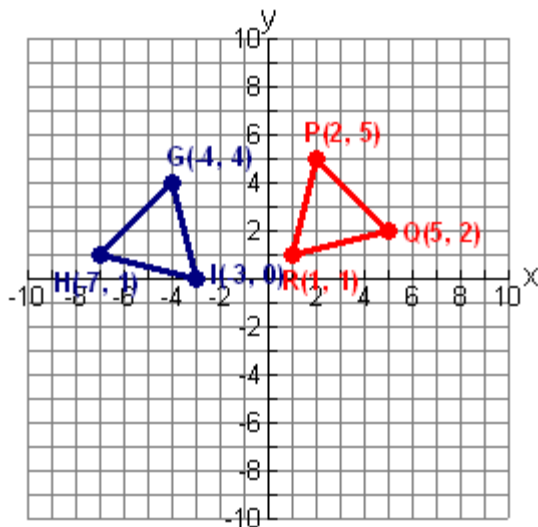


In order to prove congruence by HL, it is necessary to know that one of the corresponding legs is congruent.

Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 4 of 5) **KEY**

3. Plot each triangle in the coordinate plane. Find the lengths of each side. Use these values to determine if the triangles are congruent. Justify your answer.

a. $\triangle PQR$ has vertices $P(2,5)$, $Q(5,2)$, $R(1,1)$ and $\triangle GHI$ has vertices $G(-4,4)$, $H(-7,1)$, $I(-3,0)$.



$$\begin{aligned} HI &= 4.123 \\ GI &= 4.123 \\ GH &= 4.243 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} RQ &= 4.123 \\ RP &= 4.123 \\ PQ &= 4.243 \end{aligned}$$

$$\triangle GHI \cong \triangle PQR \text{ by SSS}$$

Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 5 of 5) KEY

4. Use a flow chart proof to justify triangles congruent.

Given: $\triangle LMN$ is an isosceles triangle with vertex M.

\overline{MP} is an altitude of $\triangle LMN$.

Prove: $\triangle LMP \cong \triangle NMP$

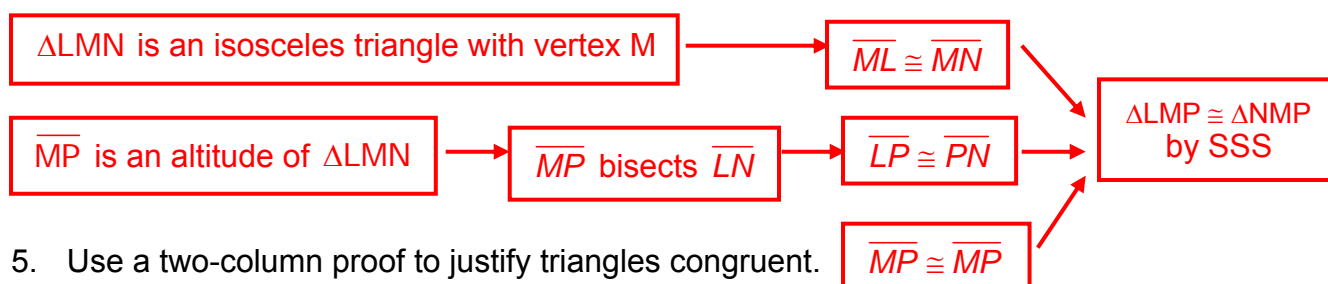
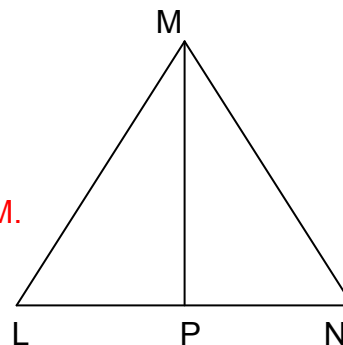
Student samples will vary...

$\triangle LMN$ is an isosceles triangle with vertex M implies $LM = NM$.

\overline{MP} is an altitude of $\triangle LMN$ implies right angles at point P,
Therefore $\triangle LMP$ and $\triangle NMP$ are right triangles.

\overline{MP} is congruent to \overline{MP} by reflexive property.

Therefore, $\triangle LMP \cong \triangle NMP$ by Hypotenuse Leg.



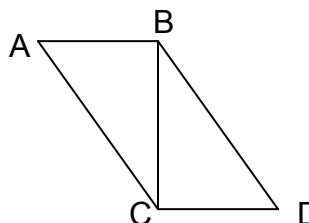
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Two possible samples are given below.

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$\angle A \cong \angle D$

Prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DCB$



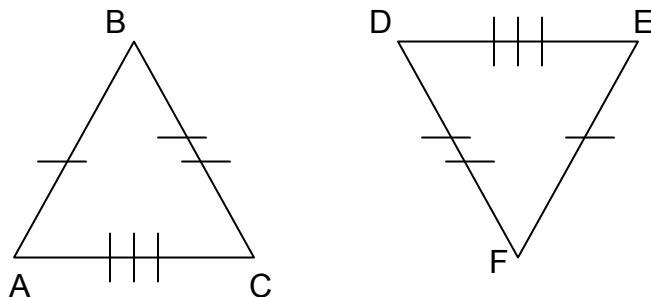
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| $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{BC}$ $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{BC}$ $\angle A \cong \angle D$ | Given |
| $m\angle ABC = 90$ $m\angle DCB = 90$ | Definition of perpendicular lines |
| $m\angle ABC = m\angle DCB$ | Transitive property |
| $\angle ABC \cong \angle DCB$ | Definition of congruence |
| $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{BC}$ | Reflexive property |
| $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DCB$ | AAS |

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| $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DCB$ are right triangles. | Definition of right triangles |
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| $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DCB$ | Leg Angle theorem |

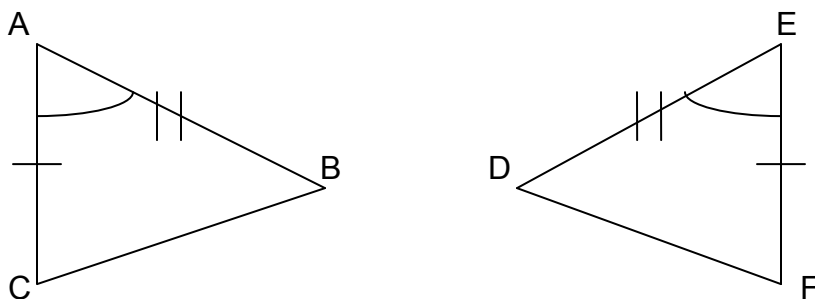
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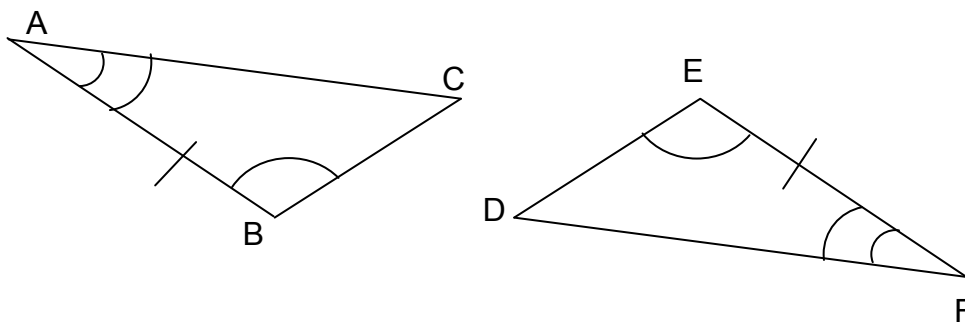
SSS Postulate: If the sides of one triangle are congruent to the sides of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



SAS Postulate: If two sides and the included angle of one triangle are congruent to two sides and included angle of another triangles, the triangles are congruent.



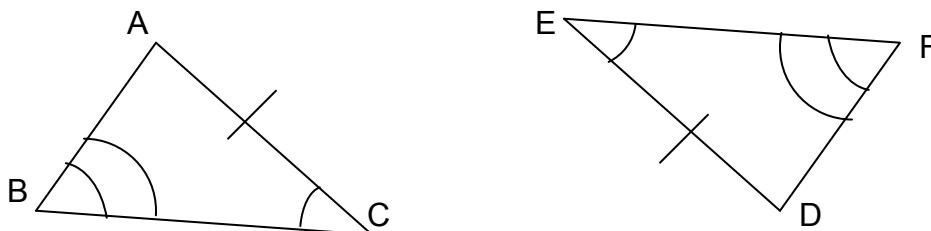
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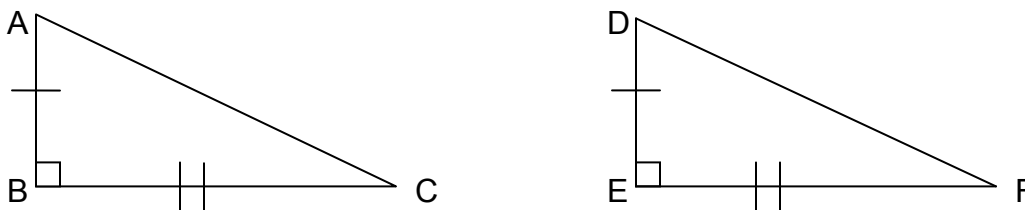
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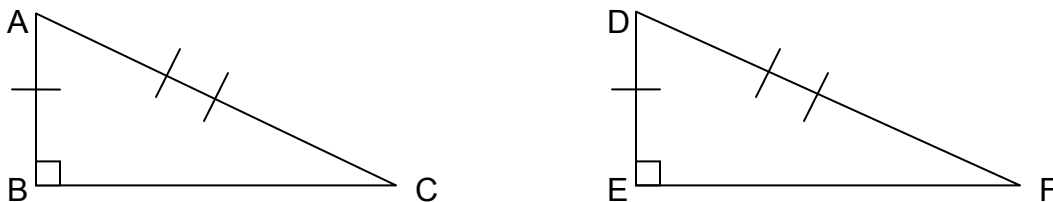
AAS Theorem: If two angles and the non-included side of one triangle are congruent to the two angles and non-included side of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



LL Theorem: In a right triangle, if the legs of one triangle are congruent to the corresponding legs of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.

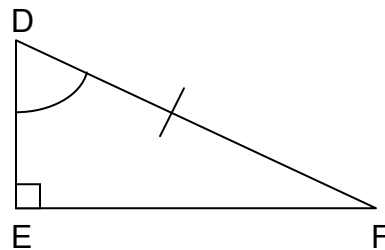
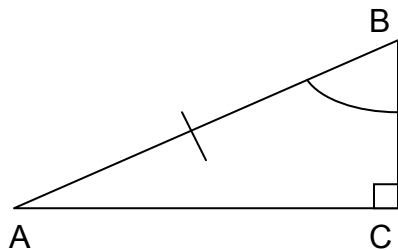


HL Theorem: In a right triangle, if the hypotenuse and leg of one triangle are congruent to the hypotenuse and corresponding leg of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.



Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 3 of 5)

HA Theorem: In a right triangle, if the hypotenuse and one acute angle of the triangle are congruent to the hypotenuse and corresponding acute angle of another triangle, the triangles are congruent.

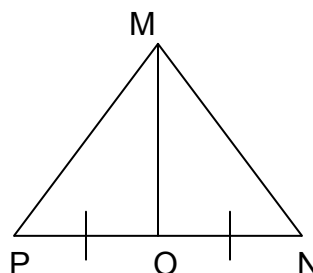
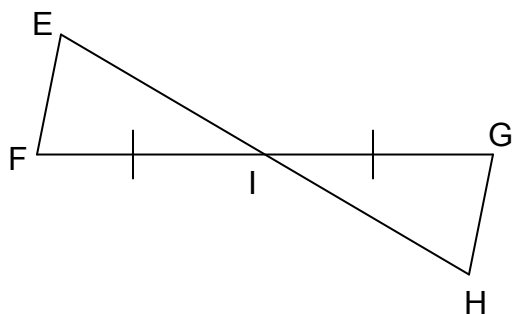


Examples:

- Give any additional information that would be needed to prove the triangles congruent by the method given.

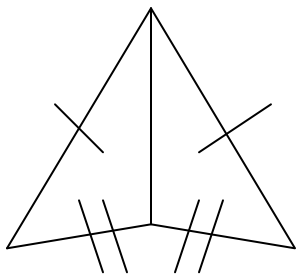
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b. LL

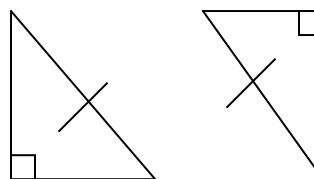


- Determine which method can be used to prove the triangles congruent from the information given. For some pairs, it may be not possible to prove the triangles congruent. For these, explain what other information would be needed to prove congruence.

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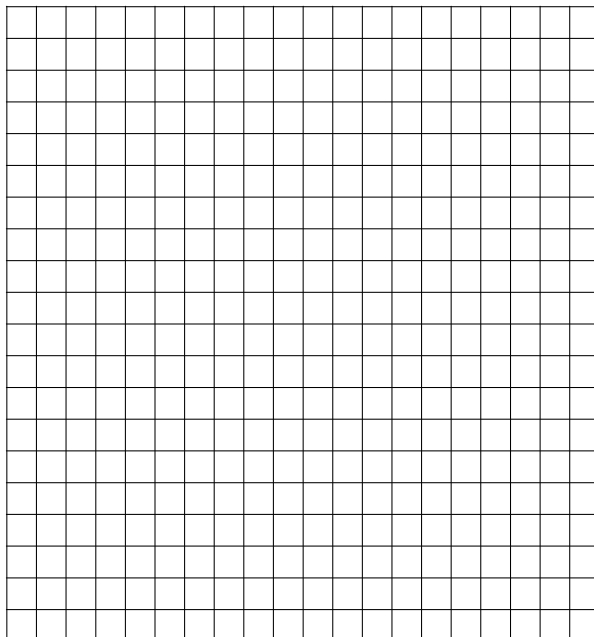


b.



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3. Plot each triangle in the coordinate plane. Find the lengths of each side. Use these values to determine if the triangles are congruent. Justify your answer.
- a. $\triangle PQR$ has vertices $P(2,5)$, $Q(5,2)$, $R(1,1)$ and $\triangle GHI$ has vertices $G(-4,4)$, $H(-7,1)$, $I(-3,0)$.



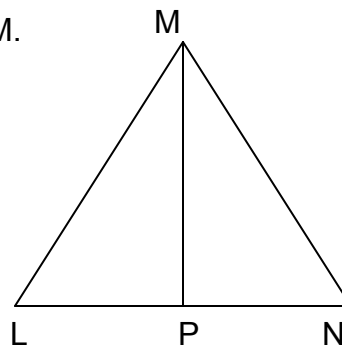
Congruent Triangle Theorems (pp. 5 of 5)

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\overline{MP} is an altitude of $\triangle LMN$.

Prove: $\triangle LMP \cong \triangle NMP$

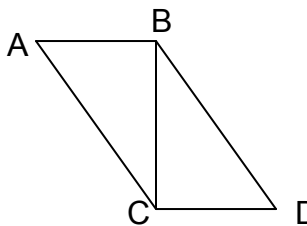


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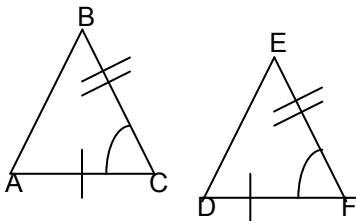
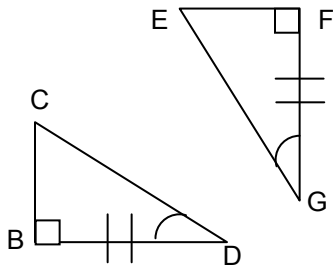
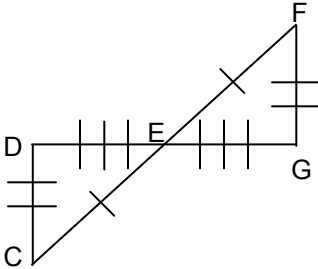
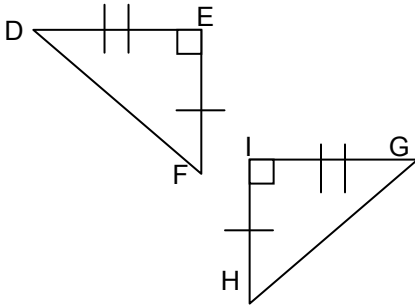
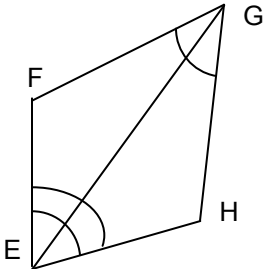
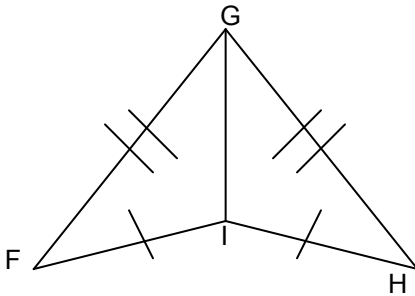
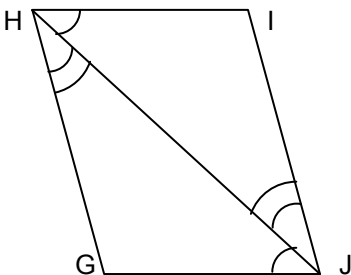
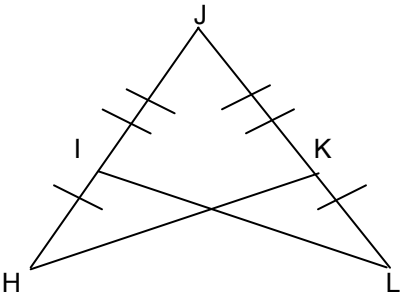
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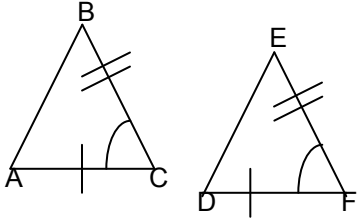
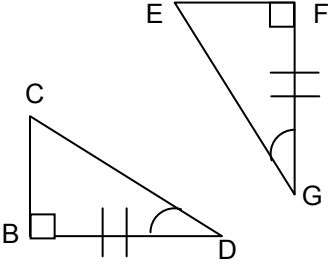
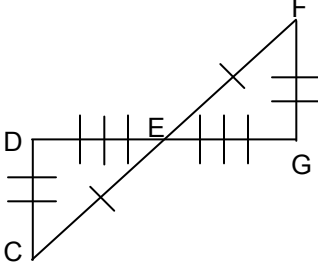
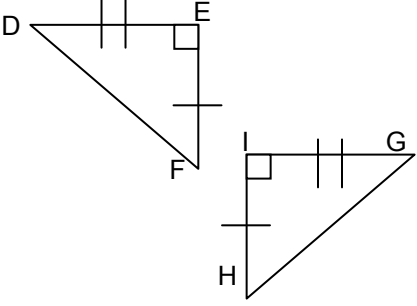
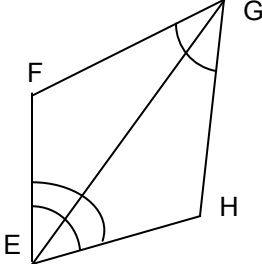
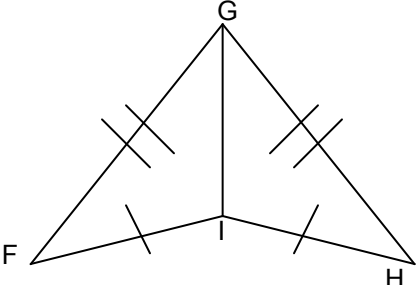
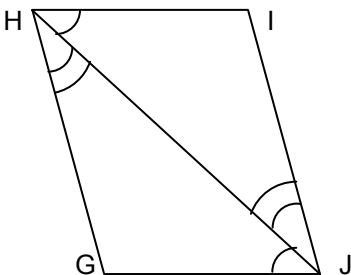
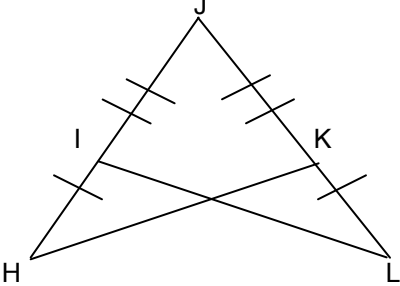
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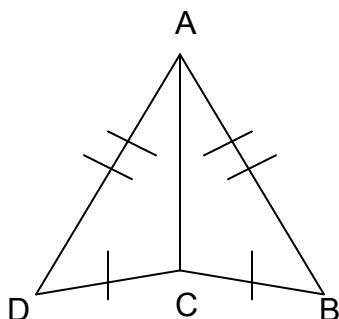
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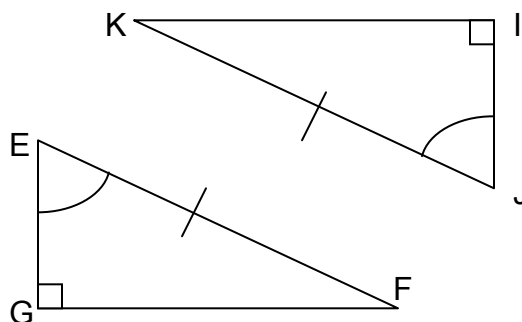
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Teacher Notes:

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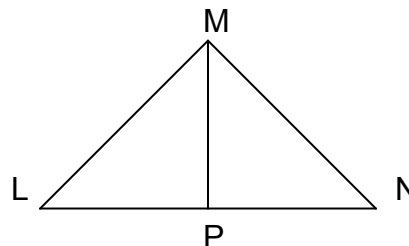
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Prove: $\angle LMP \cong \angle NMP$

| Statements | Reasons |
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| $\triangle LMN$ is an isosceles triangle with vertex M. \overline{MP} bisects \overline{LN} . | Given |
| $\overline{LM} \cong \overline{NM}$ | Definition of Isosceles. |
| $\overline{LP} \cong \overline{NP}$ | Definition of segment bisector. |
| $\overline{MP} \cong \overline{MP}$ | Reflexive property |
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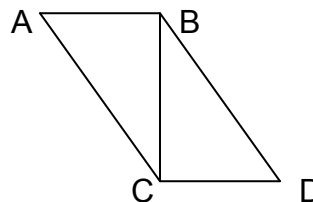


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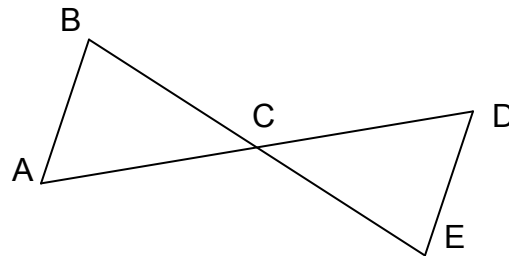


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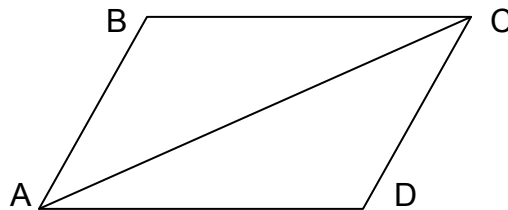
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| $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{EC}$ | Definition of midpoint |
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| $\angle ACB \cong \angle DCE$ | Vertical angle theorem |
| $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEC$ | SAS |
| $\angle A \cong \angle D$ | CPCTC |



4. Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$, $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$

Prove: $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{CB}$

| Statements | Reasons |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$, $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$ | Given |
| $\angle BAC \cong \angle DCA$ | Alt. Int. Angle Theorem |
| $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{AC}$ | Reflexive |
| $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDA$ | SAS |
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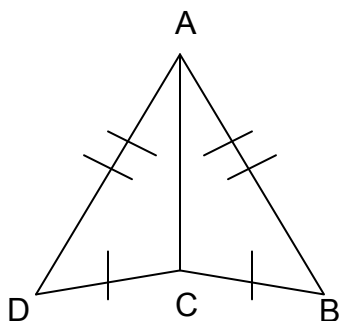
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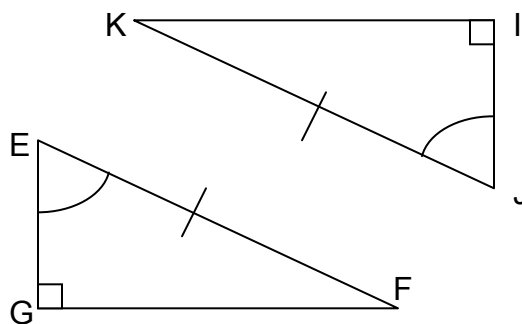
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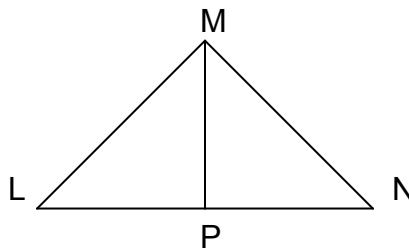
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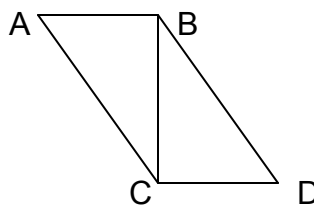
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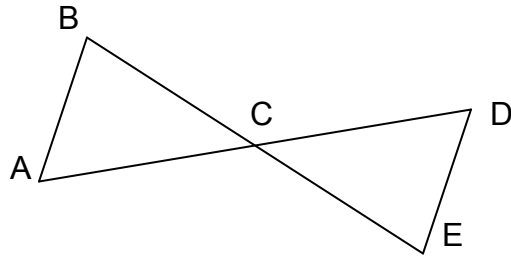


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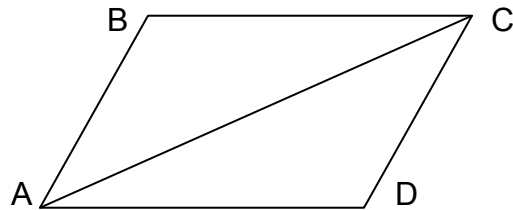


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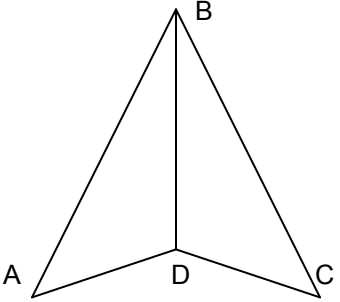
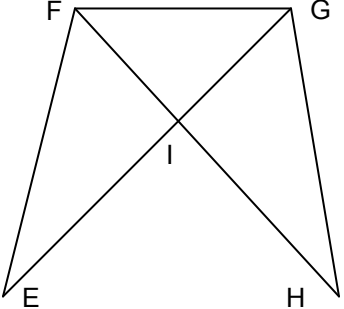
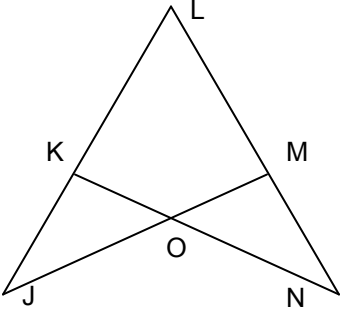


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Sneaky Triangles **KEY**

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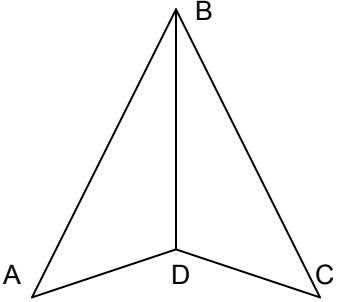
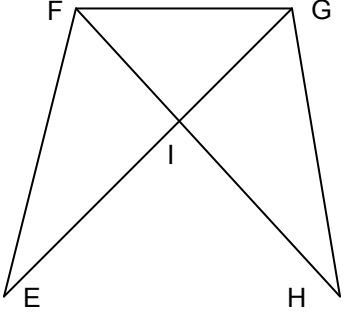
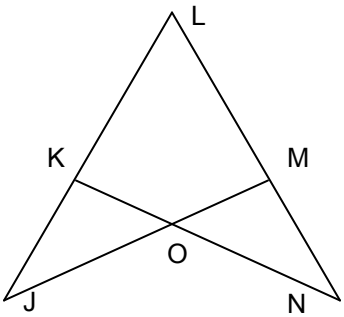
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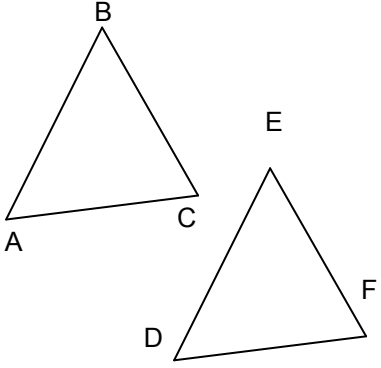
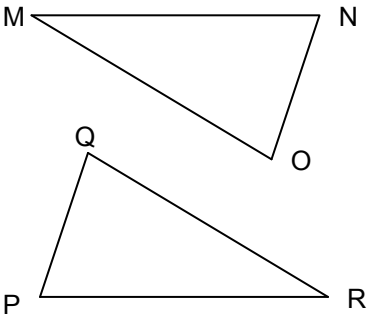
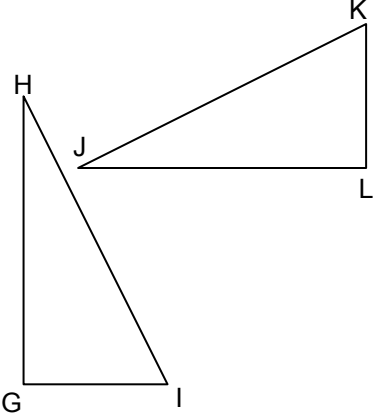
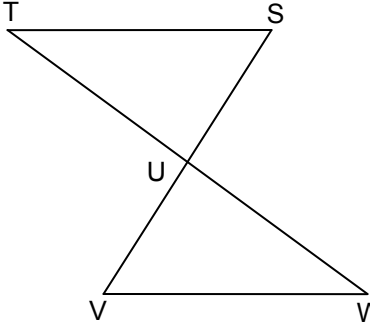
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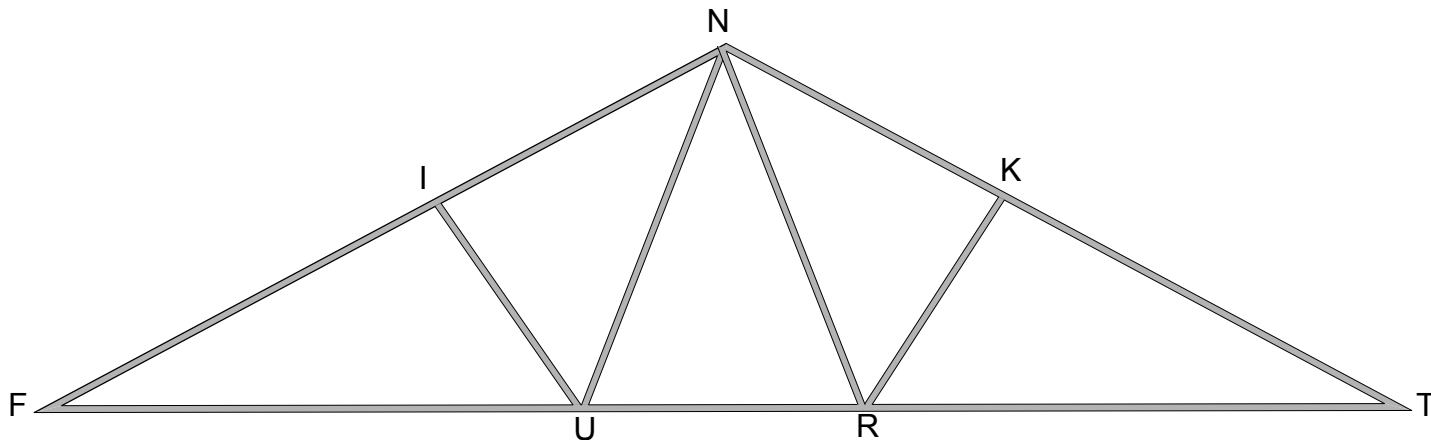
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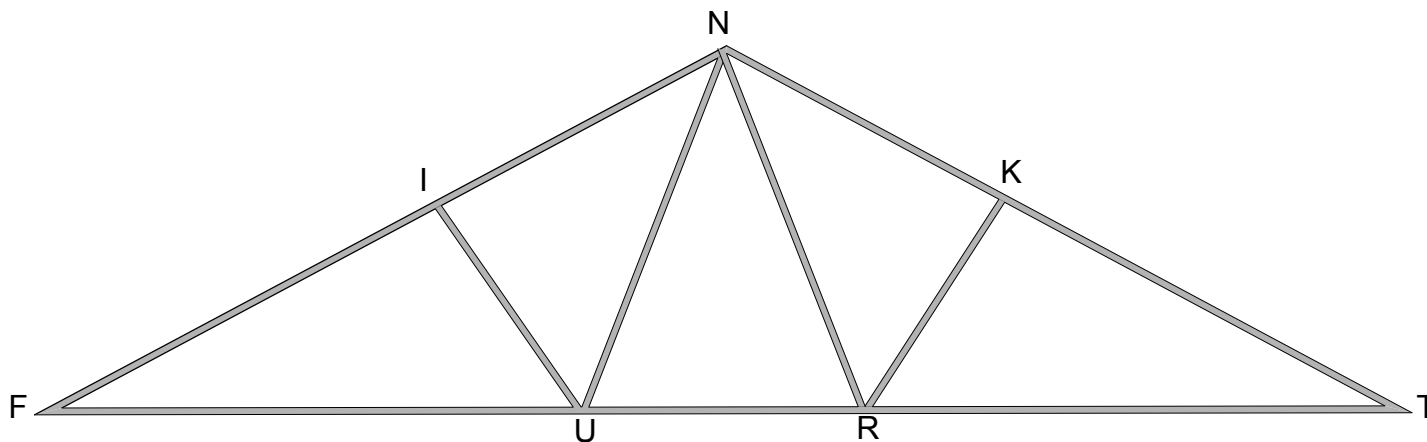
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| $\overline{NR} \cong \overline{NU}$ | Definition of Isosceles. |
| $\triangle FUN \cong \triangle TRN$ | SAS |

- Explain how your proof from question 3 can be used to prove other parts of the triangles congruent.

After proving the triangles congruent, it follows that other corresponding parts such as \overline{FN} and \overline{TN} are congruent by CPCTC

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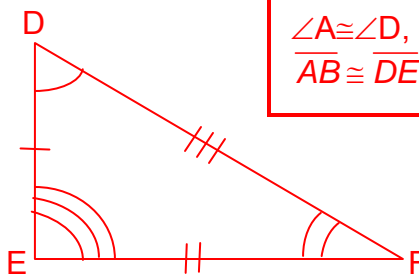
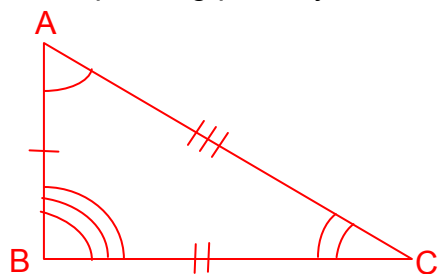
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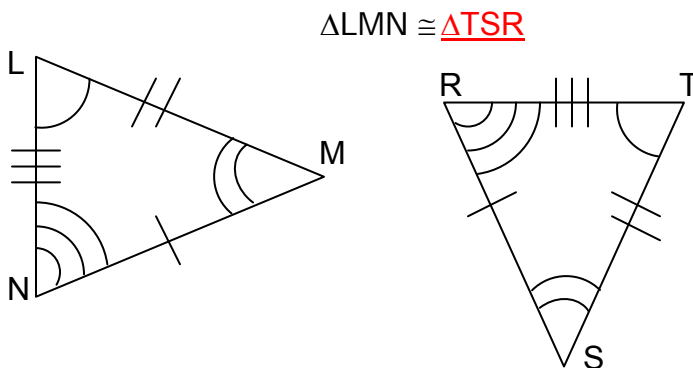
Evaluating Congruent Triangles (pp. 1 of 4) **KEY**

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2. Study the triangles below and complete the congruence statement.



3. Given $\triangle JKL \cong \triangle MNO$.

a. $\overline{JK} \cong \underline{\overline{MN}}$

- b. $JK = 3x - 4$, $MN = x + 6$, find x , JK , and MN .

$$3x - 4 = x + 6$$

$$2x = 10$$

$$x = 5$$

$$JK = 11$$

$$MN = 11$$

c. $\angle O \cong \underline{\angle L}$

- d. $m\angle O = (2d + 8)^\circ$, $m\angle L = (7d - 12)^\circ$, find d , $\angle O$, and $\angle L$.

$$2d + 8 = 7d - 12$$

$$20 = 5d$$

$$d = 4$$

$$\angle O = 16^\circ$$

$$\angle L = 16^\circ$$

Evaluating Congruent Triangles (pp. 2 of 4) **KEY**

4. Look at the figure below. Identify one set of triangles that illustrate each of the following congruence transformations.

- a. Translation

Answers will vary.

Sample:

$$\triangle ABE \cong \triangle CDG$$

- b. Rotation

Answers will vary.

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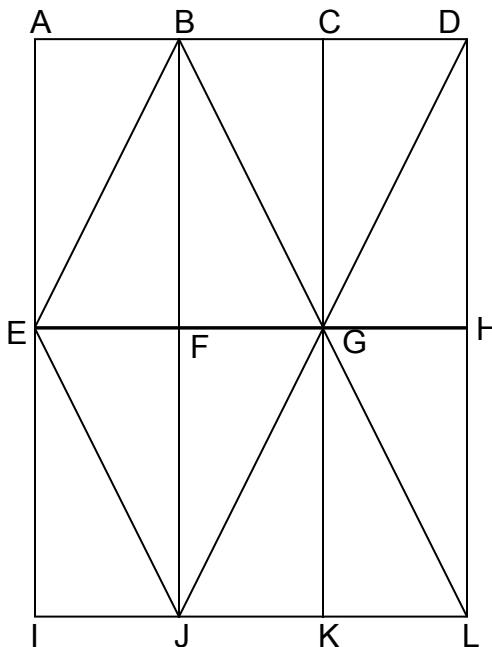
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- c. Reflection

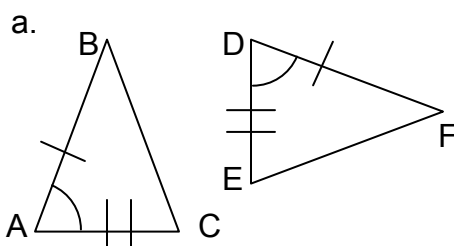
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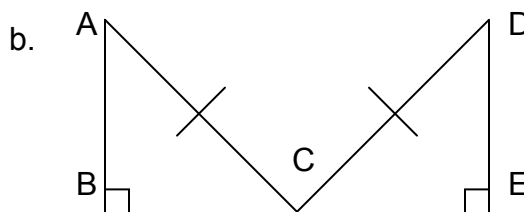
$$\triangle EBF \cong \triangle GBF$$



5. Determine which method can be used to prove the triangles congruent from the information given. If there is not enough given, explain what extra information would be needed to prove congruence.



$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DFC \text{ by SAS.}$$



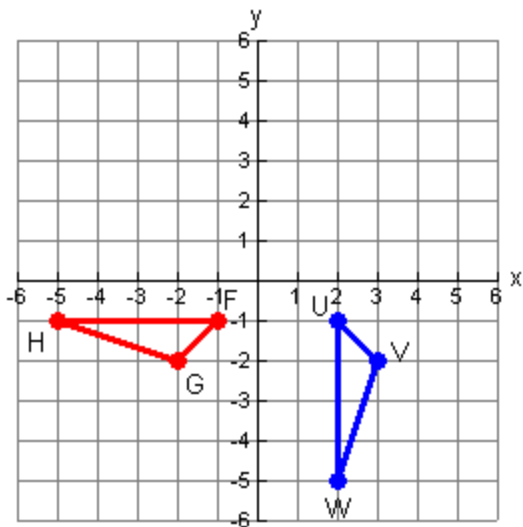
Not enough information is given. In order to prove congruency by HL, you would need to know that one corresponding set of legs is congruent.

Evaluating Congruent Triangles (pp. 3 of 4) **KEY**

6. Plot each triangle on the coordinate plane. Find the length of each side. Use these values to determine if the triangles are congruent. Justify your reasoning.

$\triangle FGH$ has vertices $F(-1,-1)$, $G(-2,-2)$, $H(-5,-1)$

$\triangle UVW$ has vertices $U(2,-1)$, $V(3,-2)$, $W(2,-5)$.



$$FG = \sqrt{2} = 1.4$$

$$GH = \sqrt{10} = 3.16$$

$$FH = 4$$

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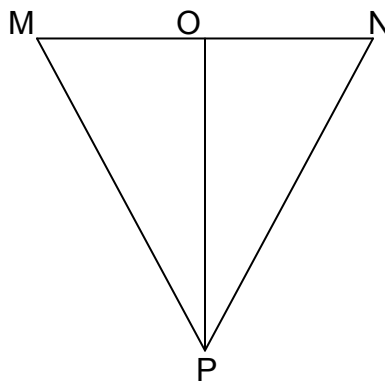
$\triangle FGH \cong \triangle UVW$ by SSS.

7. Justify the following with a flow chart proof.

Given: \overline{OP} is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{MN}

Prove: $\triangle MOP \cong \triangle NOP$

\overline{OP} is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{MN} ,
therefore $\angle MOP$ is a right angle and
 $\overline{MO} \cong \overline{ON}$ by definition of perpendicular
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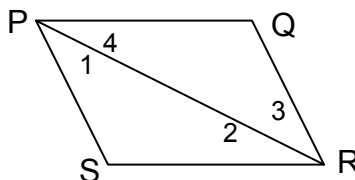


Evaluating Congruent Triangles (pp. 4 of 4) **KEY**

8. Justify the following with a two-column proof.

Given: $\overline{SR} \parallel \overline{PQ}$; $\overline{SP} \parallel \overline{QR}$

Prove: $\triangle SPR \cong \triangle QRP$



| Statements | Reasons |
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| 1. $\overline{SR} \parallel \overline{PQ}$; $\overline{SP} \parallel \overline{QR}$ | 1. Given |
| 2. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 3$, $\angle 2 \cong \angle 4$ | 2. <u>If lines are parallel, alternate interior angles are congruent.</u> |
| 3. $\overline{PR} \cong \overline{PR}$ | 3. <u>Reflexive property</u> |
| 4. $\triangle SPR \cong \triangle QRP$ | 4. <u>ASA</u> |

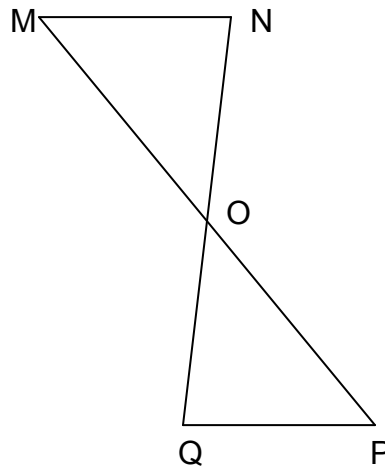
9. Justify the following by a method of choice.

Given: $\overline{NO} \cong \overline{QO}$, $\angle N \cong \angle Q$

Prove: $\angle P \cong \angle M$

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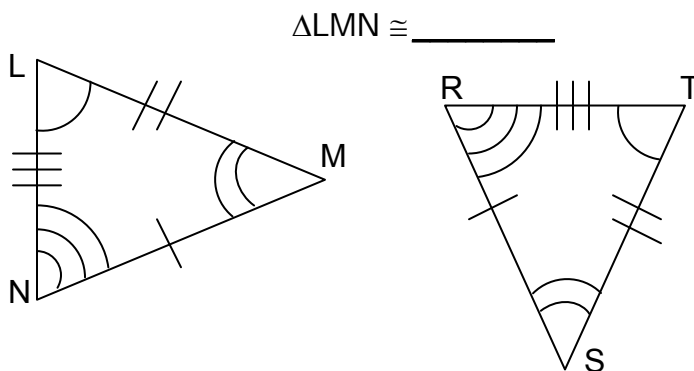
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| $\overline{NO} \cong \overline{QO}$, $\angle N \cong \angle Q$ | Given |
| $\angle NOM \cong \angle QOP$ | Vertical angles are congruent. |
| $\triangle NOM \cong \triangle QOP$ | ASA |
| $\angle P \cong \angle M$ | CPCTC |



Evaluating Congruent Triangles (pp. 1 of 4)

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b. $JK = 3x - 4$, $MN = x + 6$, find x , JK , and MN .

c. $\angle O \cong \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

d. $m\angle O = (2d + 8)^\circ$, $m\angle L = (7d - 12)^\circ$, find d , $\angle O$, and $\angle L$.

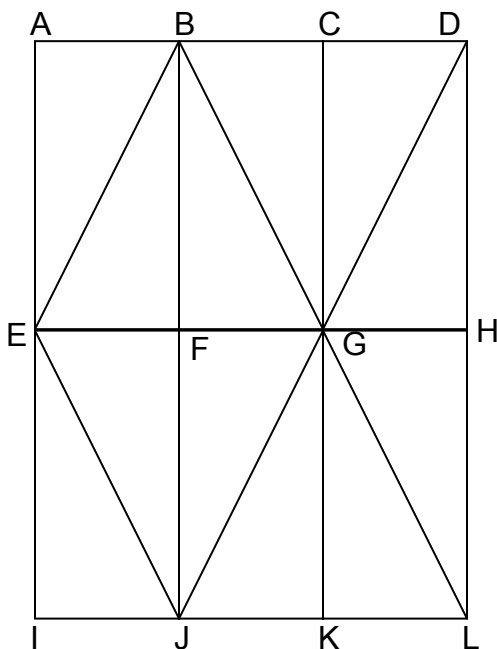
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4. Look at the figure below. Identify one set of triangles that illustrate each of the following congruence transformations.

a. Translation

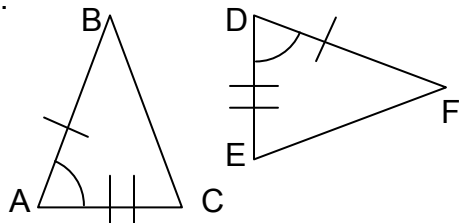
b. Rotation

c. Reflection

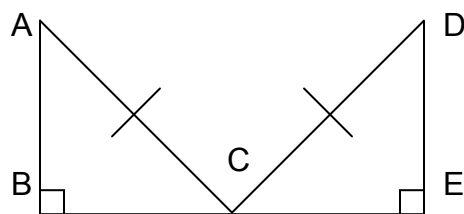


5. Determine which method can be used to prove the triangles congruent from the information given. If there is not enough given, explain what extra information would be needed to prove congruence.

a.



b.

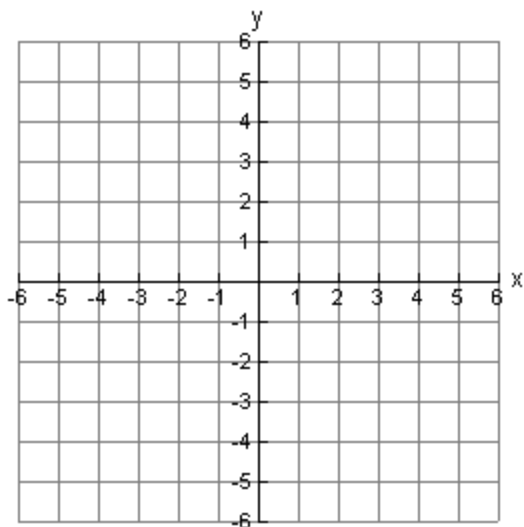


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6. Plot each triangle on the coordinate plane. Find the length of each side. Use these values to determine if the triangles are congruent. Justify your reasoning.

$\triangle FGH$ has vertices $F(-1,-1)$, $G(-2,-2)$, $H(-5,-1)$

$\triangle UVW$ has vertices $U(2,-1)$, $V(3,-2)$, $W(2,-5)$.



$$FG = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$GH = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$FH = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$UV = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

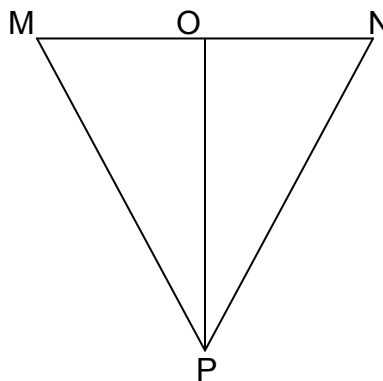
$$VW = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$UW = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

7. Justify the following with a flow chart proof.

Given: \overline{OP} is the perpendicular bisector of \overline{MN}

Prove: $\triangle MOP \cong \triangle NOP$

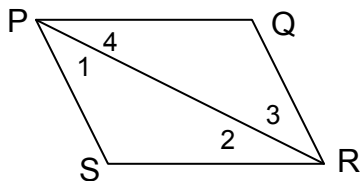


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8. Justify the following with a two-column proof.

Given: $\overline{SR} \parallel \overline{PQ}$; $\overline{SP} \parallel \overline{QR}$

Prove: $\triangle SPR \cong \triangle QRP$



| Statements | Reasons |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. $\overline{SR} \parallel \overline{PQ}$; $\overline{SP} \parallel \overline{QR}$ | 1. Given |
| 2. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 3$, $\angle 2 \cong \angle 4$ | 2. |
| 3. $\overline{PR} \cong \overline{PR}$ | 3. |
| 4. $\triangle SPR \cong \triangle QRP$ | 4. |

9. Justify the following by a method of choice.

Given: $\overline{NO} \cong \overline{QO}$, $\angle N \cong \angle Q$

Prove: $\angle P \cong \angle M$

